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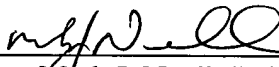
In response to the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37) dated July 8, 2004 for the above-captioned application file, the undersigned respectfully submit the declaration documents once again. As we noted previously on May 5, 2004, **TWO DECLARATIONS** were filed on October 6, 2000 and each inventor signed a separate, but identical declaration. Attached again are copies of the declarations and supporting documents which satisfy the filing requirements. A copy of the postcard receipt from the USPTO indicating filing of these documents on October 6, 2000 is also enclosed.

In reviewing the file pursuant to the Notice of Allowability, Applicants' Representative has noticed that one of the references cited on the form PTO-1449 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on **May 3, 2001** has been crossed through, without explanation by the Examiner. Another copy of the reference cited is attached for consideration by the Examiner and copy of the form PTO-1449 for initialling is attached hereto. If the Examiner does not consider the reference for some reason, explanation of that reason is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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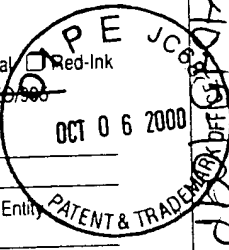
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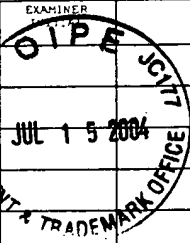
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